

## T.P. 4 : Finite Elements

### 1 With Matlab/Octave

We start by implementing in Matlab/Octave

#### 1.1 In 1D

Consider  $\Omega = [0, 1]$ .

1. Compute the mass and Stiffness matrices. Solve

$$\frac{u^{n+1} - u^n}{dt} = \Delta u^{n+1} + f,$$

which is equivalent to

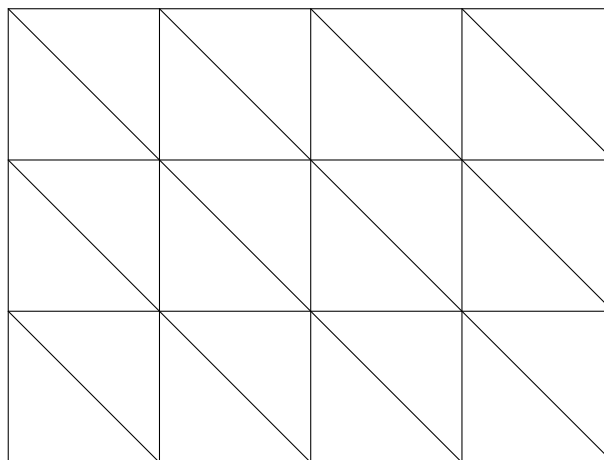
$$u^{n+1} - dt\Delta u^{n+1} = u^n + dtf.$$

2. Propose a method to solve the nonlinear Burgers equation :

$$-\Delta u + \nu u \partial_x u = 0.$$

#### 1.2 2D Matrices

Considering a structured mesh of a 2D rectangle as shown in Figure, assemble the Mass and the Stiffness matrix.



Here is a way to proceed :

1. Write a function ' [Ns,Coord,Nt,Vertex,Triangle,Index\_vertex] = generatemesh(Mx,My,Lx,Ly) ', where
  - (a) Ns is the number of degree of freedom (i.e. the number of nodes)
  - (b) Coord is a vertical list (with two columns) of the abscissa and ordinates of the nodes
  - (c) Nt is the number of triangles
  - (d) Vertex are the label of the nodes
  - (e) Triangle is a 3 dimensional matrix : the last component is the label of the triangle, and Triangle( :, :, $\ell$ ) is  $2 \times 3$  matrix of the abscissa and ordinates of the nodes of the vertices of the  $\ell$ -triangle.
  - (f) Index\_vertex is a  $3 \times Nt$  matrix,  $\ell$ -column gives the three label of the vertices of the  $\ell$ -triangle.
2. The local matrix is given by

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function [m1,m2] = matrix_elementary(s)
% This function generates the elementary Mass matrix m1 and the elementary Rigidity
% matrix m2 for the P1-element method.
% s is a vector containing the (x,y)-coordinates of the three vertices of a given
%Triangle, meaning that s is of size 3x2.
% We remind that the area of a triangle can be computed from their coordinates (Xa,Ya),
%(Xb,Yb) and (Xc,Yc), the area S = 1/2*| det(Xb-Xa Xc-Xa;Yb-Ya Yc-Ya) |

    area_tri = 0.5*abs((s(2,1)-s(3,1))*(s(3,2)-s(1,2))-(s(2,2)-s(3,2))*(s(3,1)-s(1,1)));

%Mass Matrix

    m1 = area_tri/12*(ones(3)+eye(3));
    N = zeros(3,2);
    N(1,:) = s(3,:)-s(2,:);
    N(2,:) = s(1,:)-s(3,:);
    N(3,:) = s(2,:)-s(1,:);

%Stiffness Matrix

    m2 = N*N';
    m2 = m2/(4*area_tri);

end
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Here, m1 and m2 are the local contributions for the mass and stiffness matrices.

3. Write a function [Mass,Rigidity] = matrix\_global(model) that generates the global Mass and Stiffness (also called *Rigidity* matrix) matrices.

## 2 With Free FEM

The purpose of this part of the T.P. is to become familiar with a finite element software, namely **FreeFEM++**. The documentation can be found here : <http://www.freefem.org/ff++/index.htm>

The syntax of this software is relatively simple. The work required consists of familiarization and then implementation. in slightly more complicated cases.

### 2.1 Getting started

1. To become familiar with the software, run some examples from the documentation.
2. Solve the problem of Dirichlet associated with a square domain from which an ellipse has been removed. Recall that this one is written as follows :

$$-\Delta u = 0,$$

for non-homogeneous Dirichlet Boundary Conditions on the boundary of the square, and non-homogeneous Neumann Boundary Conditions on the boundary of the ellipse.

### 2.2 More complicated examples

1. **Implementing Schwartz' Method** : in a square domain, implement a Schwarz method for the Laplace equation. More precisely : choose a rectangular domain, and define two sub-domains with an overlap area not reduced to a 1D interface. Then write the iteration between the two sub-domains.
2. **A time dependent example** : solve the equation

$$\partial_t u - \Delta u = 0,$$

keeping the space domain of Question 2 in the last section.

3. **Optimal Control** : See example 2.15.